

MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL OCTOBER 24, 1977

A special meeting of County Council was opened at 5:30 P.M. by Chairman Phinney with the opening prayer by Norman Crain. All Council Members present.

Mr. Bailes moved, Mr. Moore seconded and it was unanimously carried to go into executive session with the Hospital Study Committee.

The meeting was called back to order at approximately 6:15 at which time Dr. R. K. Nimmons spoke regarding the need for the Hospital Expansion Program to proceed. Councilman Bailes stated he felt with the county's growth there was definitely a need for the addition to Oconee Hospital. Mr. Jack Watkins, Chairman of the Study Committee spoke with regard to building specifications and some problems his Committee has found, but stated he felt this could be worked out satisfactorily. Councilman Thomas stated he felt the county should not go ahead with this project at this time in view of the problems with the specifications found by the Study Committee.

Mr. Moore moved to refer the letter to HBE from the Hospital Study Committee listing some of the problems they found on the specifications back to the Study Committee to be resolved, offering Council's help if needed, and a report be presented to Council at the November 15th meeting. Mr. Ables seconded the motion which received a unanimous vote.

Dr. Sam Moyle requested Mr. Thomas not serve on the Hospital Study Committee any more as he felt he would be biased. Based on this request Council Chairman Phinney then appointed the Buildings and Grounds Committee of County Council to work with this group.

At 7:00 P. M. Chairman Phinney directed the meeting recessed until the November 15th meeting with this item as special priority on the agenda.